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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Comment Deadlines Established Regarding the LightSquared Technical Working Group Report, IB Docket No. 11-109

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I was born, grew up, and spent a great deal of my working life in eastern Kentucky. I still have many friends there. Communicating with them by cellphone is nearly impossible. Calls are dropped randomly, or never are completed initially. The people of at least one-third of our state are underserved at best, and unserved at worst, by current cellular providers.

LightSquared has the capability to serve 100 percent of eastern Kentucky with quality cellular service and I have learned that LightSquared's application is opposed by groups with other interests.

I would like to add my voice to those who believe that LightSquared's application should be approved, and that once it has gained approval, the GPS industry will "magically" find a way to install the inexpensive filters that the stories I have read on the subject unanimously say would solve their operational problems with tolerance of LightSquared's being on the broadband spectrum.

The history of "weeping, wailing, and gnashing of teeth" that goes on by entrenched interests when others enter their supposed domains is that soon as decisions are made, they begin to work together, problems are solved, and new technologies are implemented.

I think we have a case of "methinks the GPS interests doeth protest too much" in this instance, and approval of LightSquared's application would result in that ultimate cooperation after the weeping ended.

Sincerely,

Carol Banks